

SCARY SHIT #3

THE UNNAMABLE

PART 1

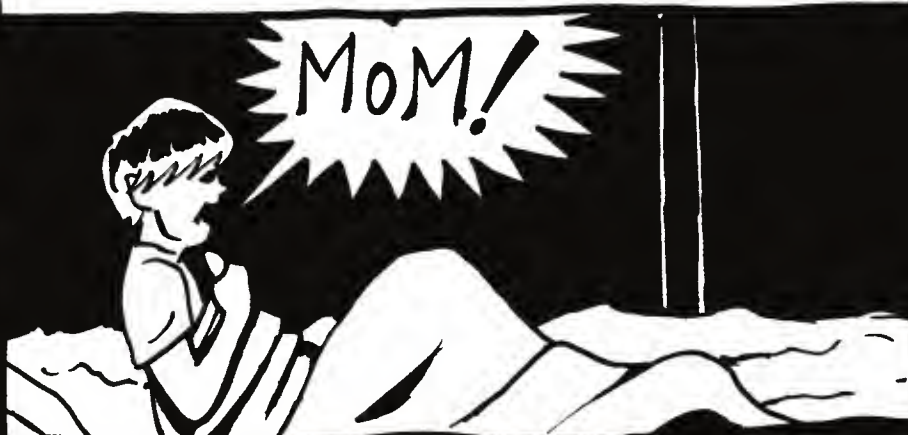
The first time I watched The Unnamable was back in 1989 or maybe 1990, not exactly sure. And when I say "watched" it was actually through a peephole I had chewed into my blanket while laying on the floor at a babysitters! I was actually supposed to be sleeping, and if I had known how much this movie was going to scare me...I would've chosen to sleep! And to this day, I wonder how my babysitter didn't notice me biting a small hole in the blanket! She must've been really into the movie!



The monster isn't fully shown until way later in the movie, but there were short glimpses halfway in. And watching through my peephole I wasn't getting the best view! From my first memory I thought the monster looked like Ozzy Osbourne from the cover of his "Bark At The Moon" album cover! And for many years this was my only memory of what the unnamable looked like...until I seen the movie later in life. It didn't look anything like Ozzy!



That night I didn't get to finish watching the movie because my mom had picked me up from the babysitter when she got off of work. I went to bed as soon as we arrived home. My bedroom had a bunch of plastic covering all over the floor because my mom had been painting the walls, also I had to sleep on the floor because my bed had been taken out for the painting. So this reminded me of a scene in the movie where a couple of the teenagers were getting ready to get their "fuck-on", and the girl is poked with something under a blanket. Which turned out to be a bone....um, not that kind. But anyway I was rolling over on the plastic and I felt something poke me! So I shot up and screamed at the top of my lungs for my mom! She came in and asked what the hell I was screaming about! I told her I was scared. She asked me..."of what?". I told her..."The Unnamable". I ended up sleeping in her bed that night.



The movie itself is loosely based on the short story by H.P. Lovecraft. But after 20 minutes of the movie have gone by, so have the similarities. As is the case with the sequel. Anyway, the movie is about a group of teenagers who investigate a house that has a haunted and mysterious past. Which is laughed at and considered a local myth. Just like any cheesy 80's horror movie, the teenagers go into the house, play pranks on each other, tell scary stories, and eventually end up with their pants off. And for one of the teenagers, he not only lost his pants...but also his head!

I eventually seen the movie in full. And for many years have considered it a really really scary...even with all it's cheesy 80's cliché's! The look of the creature itself has always been pretty frightening. In the story we find out that the creature is a half woman half demon named Alyda. The Daughter of Joshua Winthrop...who is killed flashback style in the opening scene of the movie. The make up effects of the creature are very scary for the time, with it's white skin, claw like fingers, sharp teeth, horns, cloven hoofs, and wings. It has a very distinct "scream", which is very spine tingling! Over all the demonic look of the creature has always impressed...and scared me!

